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## Mercian Is Prized; Pres. Sees Book

The MERCIAN has long been an awarded yearbook, but the 1962 MERCIAN has surpassed all its predecessors, for it was recently announced that it was the recipient of two outstanding yearbook awards. The Catholic Press Association gave us the rating of "All Catholic," which is the highest rating possible. The National Yearbook Award also honored the MERCIAN by placing it among the top twenty-five percent of all the yearbooks in the country.

As everyone recalls, the theme of the 1962 MERCIAN was the "New Frontier." All the staff members therefore wished to send a copy of the complete book to the President. Their dreams were realized when a copy of the 1962 MERCIAN was placed in the hands of the head of the Secret Service Agency. A few weeks later a letter was sent to us from President Kennedy's secretary. She gave us his sincere thanks and assured us that the President had received and enjoyed our yearbook.

Congratulations and thanks are in order for the editors of the 1962 MERCIAN, Joan Lodato and Ginny McKenna, and all the staff members. Sister Mary Victorine and Sister Mary Gerard are deserving of special praise since this was their first experience in moderating a yearbook. These outstanding recognitions should inspire this year's staff to further greatness and perfection.

*Hear Ye! Hear Ye!*

Ye Old Mission Club Yule Sale  
will take place in ye gym first  
week of December.

## Fordham Plays Host To Press and Yearbook

Fordham University was the scene of the 15th Annual Fall Catholic Publications Conference on Saturday, September 29 from 9:30 A.M. to 5 P.M.

Twenty-five girls, members of both the Yearbook staff and the Press Club, attended this meeting.

Following the schedule of events, the girls divided into small groups to insure representation at each panel. This was necessary since many different talks were conducted at the same time.

For the Press there were talks on Laying Out a Paper, News Story Writing and Editing. The students were given information as to the best way to do these jobs, and they were also introduced to little tricks of the newspaper trade.

Yearbook staffs found their panels of equal interest to them. Their topics included How to Take Good Pictures, Ideas to Improve Your Cover and How to Make Your Book Different. All these topics are points of interest and sometimes of uncertainty for those printing a yearbook.

Speaking at these panels were such notables as Mr. Don Zirkel, Assistant Managing Editor of "The Tablet," Dr. Jerome Niosi of New Hyde Park High School, and Dr. Regis Boyle from the School of Journalism of the Catholic University of America.



K. Everett and K. Garland 3A1 admire Fordham mascot.

## Marietta Voted S. C. Pres.; Ann Is V. P.

The votes had been counted and the whole student body anxiously awaited the announcement of the newly-elected President of the Student Council.

The name of Marietta Crisci, 4A3, was announced over the loudspeaker and cheers of victory were heard throughout the school.

The contending candidates were Ann Crowley of 4A1, who has been elected Vice-President, Dolores Walsh 4A2, Janice Kelleher 4A4, and Jo Ann Musico 4A5.

Election campaigning by the senior classes took place on Friday, September 21. All through the day the girls wore balloons, bows and other decorations bearing the names of their choice for presidency.

Signs and slogans posted on walls, doors, windows and boards, were seen throughout the school. Lollipops bearing nominees' names were distributed.

Sister Mary Thomas, moderator of the Student Council, has introduced a new system in the selection of twelve girls from each senior class instead of the usual twenty.



4A3 celebrates Marietta's victory.

## Upper Classmen Will Inaugurate Career Day

The junior and senior classes will participate in a CAREER DAY program on Wednesday, November 21, at 1:30 P.M. sponsored by the guidance department under the direction of Sister Mary Nazarita.

The students will gather in the auditorium for an introductory talk at a general assembly, and thereafter will disperse to various classrooms in order to participate in the panel discussion of their choice.

Representatives from specialized secretarial fields, the F.B.I., air transportation, nursing schools, education, and laboratory technician schools are to mention but a few of those who will participate in the panel discussions and answer the questions of the students.

For those interested in Liberal Arts Colleges, representatives from St. John's University, St. Joseph's College for Women and Molloy College are among those who have been invited.

The activities of the career day have been planned to meet the vocational needs of all the students, whether they intend to begin work immediately after graduation or to pursue their studies in preparation for a professional career.

## 4A1 Tops School In Yearbook Drive

"The winner of the 1963 yearbook drive is the 4A1!" This announcement was made on September 28 at 10:16 p.m. in McAuley's gym where the yearbook dance was taking place.

The 3A1 and the 4A4 attained the second and third places respectively.

The MERCIAN Booster drive, lasting for two weeks, was brought to a close at 6 p.m., Friday evening, September 28.

Rita Maresca, Mary Ellen Dubiel, Francine Amendola, the three highest girls brought in \$95, \$80, \$75 respectively.

4A1's percentage was 2,908%; 3A1, 2,389%; 4A4, 1,913%. The next two highest classes were the 3A2 with 1,739% and the 1A1 with 1,584%.

All the girls in 4A1, as well as those students who brought in \$30 or more, will have dinner at McGinnis' in New York on December 5th.

After dinner the girls will see *Take Her She's Mine* at the Biltmore Theater. Over 400 girls are going to the show this year.

The drive was a huge success. Sister Mary Maurice and the two moderators of the yearbook, Sisters Mary Victorine and Gerard, would like to thank the girls for working so hard.



## McAuleyans, Face the Facts

Any McAuleyan who thinks a Student Councilor likes telling the girls to keep quiet or enjoys writing names on paper is dead wrong. You couldn't believe, until you actually are on Student Council, how much gumption it takes. But that Student Councilor has a job to do. She knows it. She also knows she isn't standing there for her health. And her job cannot make exceptions. Whether or not the girl disobeying the rules is a friend or is a senior, she still gets the same treatment as the next person. That's the way it's supposed to be. That's the right way. Any girl who doesn't understand it is brainless. Any Student Councilor who doesn't follow it should resign.

Of course, everybody would like to talk after the second bell or on the way to lunch, but it's against the rules. "So what if I do disobey these laws. I'm not committing any criminal act." That's right, fellow McAuleyan. You won't be sent to jail, but you can consider yourself a weak person. You tell me what's easier, to talk or to keep the rule. You know the answer. Do you have enough will-power to refrain from finishing that last sentence? Sure you do. But only you can decide whether or not you're going to do it.

Maybe you are saying right now: "So why is she making such a big fuss? It's only a small matter." Correct. It isn't a life and death decision. But do you really believe, when something important comes up, something you know is right, but find it difficult to do, that all of a sudden you're going to come crashing through the gates of evil, flashing a shining white cross, and do what's right? Come on! Don't kid yourself. You know as well as I do, that if you don't start now, it's going to be a hundred times harder when you get older.

I agree with you. Everyone makes mistakes a few times, in fact, a great deal more than a few times. Most of us will never be canonized. But on the whole, if we can obey the rules no matter how small, no one can put us down. We'll be great, not in the way of being famous, but in a much better fashion. We will have triumphed. It was hard. Yet, we survived the entire day obeying the laws that yesterday we found so difficult. Fellow McAuleyans, congratulations are due!

## Wanted: Prayer and Sacrifice

October has seen the opening of the Ecumenical Council. For us as informed teen-agers, this should be a topic of great interest.

This meeting of all the bishops of the world will more directly affect our lives than it will those of our parents. It is we who will be raising our children in accordance with the decisions adopted at this Council. Since this is true, then it is our duty to take some active part. While we can't just hop a jet to Rome, we can act by means of sacrifice and prayer. The slightest sacrifices offered by adolescents of the world will prove a tremendous force in the work of the Council. Our intentions must be sincere, immediate and definite. They will be the carefully chosen, personal contributions of Catholic youth.

I know we've been saying prayers for this purpose for some time, but I don't mean the group prayers of the Church. Rather, I was thinking more of a personal prayer, one that perhaps no one except God is aware we are saying. In that way, the Council will have a very deep and much more personal value in our lives.

Pope John and the Hierarchy have great hopes for the Council, but if it is to succeed it must have the prayers of all of us behind it. Once we have prayed for its success, the acceptance of its decisions will follow.

# Rally Against Admission Of Red China to U. N.

Red China must never be allowed to enter the U.N. If such a catastrophe ever occurs, a blow would be dealt even more excruciatingly painful than the fall of an iron hammer upon an already sore finger. It would infest the wound of a doubtful cut and cause it to spread to the eventual destruction of the entire being. In other words, the world crisis being as it is, with the Communists gaining more and more footage throughout the continents, we cannot permit another mark against us. Letting Red China into the U.N. would be a step towards the disintegration of freedom.

### War Is the Way

Red China has declared that war will be the Communist means for conquering the entire world. Therefore, Communist China is not peaceful. This has been proven in North Vietnam, and Laos. And it was so clearly defined in Korea, where many of our boys shed their blood fighting the Red Chinese (33,000 killed, 103,000 wounded).

The U.N. was formed under the banner of peace. How can it stain its blue and white flag with the red smear of blood? To admit Red China would be an act directly against the great U.N. charter. Yet, some people will say that it is permissible for the reason that Red China represents the vast majority of the Chinese population. This is false. The Communist government was forced upon these people and this is evidenced by only a small percent of mainland China's six million people belonging to the Communist party. The recent exodus of refugees into Hong Kong is a proof of Communism's failure in China. Can a government such as this be called the representative of the people? No,

never, no matter how many times the Commies say so.

### The True Government

Also, by permitting Communist China to take a seat in the U.N., we would be following a "two China" policy, which would be a direct blow and insult to Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist Government of China on the Island of Formosa. Here is a man who fought the Communists. Here is the government and the land that is the hope and the true representative of the majority of the Chinese people. I do not mean just those Chinese of the actual Island, but also the people in Mainland China whose eyes look toward the freedom of Formosa. For the free world to say that there is more than one China and more than one representative of the Chinese people would almost definitely, as Chiang Kai-shek has said, "Cause the cessation of Nationalist China staying in the U.N., and it would weaken the stand in the Pacific of a good and firm ally, that doesn't claim neutralism, but holds a policy which is strongly against Communism."

### Pro and Con

Another argument for the admission of Red China to the U.N. is this: A closer watch and perhaps a certain amount of control over Communist China could be maintained. To this, let me just say one thing. Russia is in the U.N. and has been there for seventeen years. I think you see my point. If we have kept any kind of control or closer watch over Russia, it has certainly been outweighed by the great hindrance she has proven to be in the U.N.

Furthermore, there are other arguments against the admittance of Red China, which could fill two or more "McAuleyans." But from these

statements alone you can see plainly and decisively what a tremendous mistake would be performed to suffer the acceptance of the People's Republic of China in the U.N.

### A Committee Is Formed

There is a committee, a great committee, which has been using much energy and resourcefulness in stopping such a wrong from taking place. The name: The Committee of One Million. The purpose: Prevent Red China from entering the U.N. The means: Letters, pamphlets, articles and rallies. Last year a petition against Red China's admittance, signed by over one million Americans was sent to the President of the U.S. Last year Communist China's admittance was defeated. Again the crucial question comes up in the U.N.

If you would like to help, just write to:

The Committee of One Million  
79 Madison Avenue  
New York 16, N. Y.

## Youth

By Connie Cucchiara

Restless,  
Vibrant,  
Searching.

Being,  
Questioning,  
Loving.

Hope of world,  
Hope of country,  
Hope of generation.

Youth,  
Hope,  
Dream,  
Wish,  
Reality.

## Press Club Names Staff; Five Seniors Are Selected

This year, the Press Club began its annual activities with the announcement of the new staff officers.

Marietta Crisci, 4A3, has been named Editor of the "McAuleyan," and Constance Cucchiara, 4A3, and Janice Kelleher, 4A4, have been named Co-Editors.

Marietta, as every McAuleyan is well aware, is the newly elected Student Council President. Besides S.C. President and Editor of our school paper, Marietta also ranks in scholastic ability as a member of the Leo Honor Society.

### McAuley's Echos

Have you ever felt that you have to get something off your chest but you have nobody to say it to? Well, if you ever had this experience, the **McAuleyan** is providing space just to let you voice your opinions about such things pertaining to school matters. The letters will be viewed by the staff and those that are considered good will be placed in the paper.

If you have something to say, a yellow manila envelope will be stationed in Room 8 where you may put your letters.

Well, we've done our job of announcing the box. Now it's up to you to send in the letters. If you wish, ask us and we will withhold your name.

The responsibility of assisting Marietta in preparing editions of the paper has been given into the capable hands of the new Co-Editors, Constance Cucchiara and Janice Kelleher.

Constance's fun-loving personality is also displayed as one of McAuley's proud and talented cheerleaders.

The other Co-Editor is Janice Kelleher. This efficient senior is also Feature Editor of the "Mercian" and a member of Leo Honor.

Two other girls have been chosen as staff officers this year. Rosemarie Fiore, 4A3, is the newly appointed Sports Editor, whose task it will be to cover the exciting basketball games that McAuley will participate in. Along with her duties as Sports Editor, she also holds

the title of Business Secretary. Beside her activities in the Press Club, Rosemarie is also an active member of the Yearbook staff, Library Page, and Junior Sacristans, in which she is Secretary-Treasurer.

Carmen Lepore, who hails from the 4A4, has been assigned to the post of the new Financial Secretary of the "McAuleyan," whose job it is to collect the dues of the members. Carmen is also a member of the Yearbook staff.

Put all five girls together and you have the nucleus of the new team that will work to keep the news of McAuley circulating.

Here's wishing them success in their future endeavors on behalf of the "McAuleyan."

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## McAuley Greets New Faculty

With the opening of the new term McAuleyans were greeted with the smiling faces of the new faculty members.

For those of us taking business law or bookkeeping there is Sr. Mary Louis from St. Mary of the Angels, Syosset, while Sr. Mary Gemma from Little Flower School is teaching American history, business arithmetic, and religion. In secretarial practice, transcription and typewriting, Sr. Mary Raymond from St. Mary's, Roslyn, is trying her utmost to make diligent secretaries of us all. Sr. Mary Johanna from St. Thomas Aquinas School has her hands full teaching our sophomores the fundamentals of Spanish and world history. Sr. Mary Laetitia from the Mercy Juniorate is teaching those old favorites: Latin and English. Another one of our new English teachers, Sr. Mary Blanche, from Our Lady of Mercy, Hicksville, is also teaching second and third year religion. Those of you who have had the luck to pass the Music Room while Sr. Mary Nazarita from Bishop McDonald Memorial High School was at the piano, know McAuley is in for a very musical year. Sister especially agrees with this since it's all she teaches from nine to three and many hours after school with the exceptions of those fruitful moments in the Guidance Room. Sr. Mary Charitas from St. Jerome's has the momentous task of teaching our seniors American history. Sr. Mary Pascal from Mercy Juniorate is now in charge of study hall. Sr. Mary Dymphna of Holy Rosary School teaches our new freshmen citizenship education and English. Sr. Mary Carmel, formerly of the English Department, is our new librarian.

We are happy to welcome our new teachers and hope that they will be happy and successful in their work at McAuley.

## New Music and Guidance Head Appointed

New vim and vigor have come to McAuley. This energy has arrived in the form of Sister Mary Nazarita, the new music and guidance director. Her energy is abundant, but she finds many uses for all of it.

To enable all to understand and appreciate music, Sister is conducting music appreciation classes for all years. Since she has such a true love of music herself, she has no trouble in spreading her enthusiasm throughout her classes. Perhaps you never liked symphonies before, but Sister presents all this to you in such a new and interesting light that you are immediately caught up in her enthusiasm. To aid her classes, Sister has arranged for them to receive **KEYBOARD JUNIOR MAGAZINE**.

The Glee Club has been increased to ninety voices. Not only has the size increased but also the program. While the girls are now planning for Christmas, Sister is looking further ahead to the spring when she hopes to present a concert. Also under her capable thumb is the orchestra. Into this field, she has introduced the idea of an accordion band besides a twenty piece regular band.

In her role as guidance counselor, Sister has arranged for the juniors and seniors to participate in Career Day. This will enable the girls to learn about the different fields in which they may be interested.

Even with all these projects going simultaneously, Sister still finds time to be warm and affable to all who meet her. Her coming is truly an asset to McAuley.

## Beware:

### October Thirty-First

The day is October thirty-first. The time: one minute to three. Mrs. Average American Mother stands with her daughter's costume poised in the air as she watches the seconds tick slowly by.

The front door slams at three o'clock on the nose, and Plain Jane charges up the stairs in a glorious blast of excited screams and stamping feet. Mrs. Average American Mother has exactly three minutes to change her offspring from a homely little fourth grader to a beautiful fairy princess. Through miraculous power she does manage to do it, and the little darling flies out of the house with her A&P shopping bag fluttering in the breeze behind her. Now most people would think that this is the end of Halloween for Mom. But the Mothers of America know differently!

At about five after three the procession of children begins. They come from miles around but all of them are after the same thing: LOOT.

After years of experience it became apparent to mothers that there had to be some system for the distribution of these goodies. So, they set up a group of unwritten laws which all staunch followers of the P.T.A. are obliged to uphold.

Rule number one states that the smaller the child the larger the bag of candy he receives. This is because the children under four look cuter than the delinquents over eight. It is also permissible to slip the child a penny or two, if you know him, but this practice is frowned upon by skinflints, tightwads, penny pinchers, and misers.

Rule number two states that if any little juvenile sneaks back for seconds you give him either soggy potato chips or a rotten apple. This usually cures the child of such a practice because those potato chips don't taste very good with his melted Hershey bar.

Rule number three states that if you run out of candy and

## Halloween Originates From Christian Feast, All Hallows

The howling wind and the falling autumn leaves were heard by those who prepared for the traditional games and telling of ghost stories. Darkness brought the appearance of eerie figures along the moonlit streets. Usually a little ghost or goblin would linger behind these so-called spirits — chewing a piece of candy. If strange happenings were observed by the younger children, they would cringe behind their parents. Yes, it was Halloween in the 20th Century.

The evening of October 31 precedes the Christian feast of Allhallows, Hallowmas, or, better known to us as, All Saints' Day. Originating as a church festival in the 7th Century when the Pantheon at Rome was consecrated as the Church of the Blessed Virgin and All Martyrs, this feast which we celebrate on November 1, was made official by Pope Gregory IV in 835. Therefore, Christians observe Halloween as a preparation for All Saints' Day.

There are also Pagan beliefs connected with the night of October 31. Halloween was said to have originated among the ancient Druids, who believed on that evening, Saman, the lord of the dead, called forth hosts of evil spirits. Great fires were lit by these people for the purpose of warding off the evil spirits.

The Romans observed this occasion by playing games involving fruit. From this we derive the customs of ducking for apples in a tub of water, and dec-



orating the house with carved pumpkins.

Also a symbol of Halloween is the black cat. Because this type of cat was the witches' most frequent companion, many legends have been started about it. Among these is the one which claims that if you dry and brew with tea in a black pot, the liver of a black cat, a powerful love charm is made. When a girl invited a young man to tea and served him some made this way, she was certain to be more than pleased with the results!

Cats were said to have magical control over the weather, as well as possessing magical blood. But the fear of cats came mostly from the fact that the ancient peoples believed they were witches in disguise.

Today the black arts of witches are considered a myth. Ghosts no longer haunt houses on that mysterious night of October 31, and fairies only make their appearance in story books. But of course you don't believe in ghosts, but would you dare walk through a graveyard on Halloween night!!!

## Tune Twitters

*Patches* — A Junior's uniform. *If I Had a Hammer* — I'd use it on the Pepsi machine.

*Point Of No Return* — The Principal's office.

*Swinging Safari* — McAuleyans in corridors during the change of classes.

*Ramblin' Rose* — Freshman looking for her class.

*Rain, Rain, Go Away* — Or my hair will flop on the way to school.

*The Things We Did Last Summer* — History and math in summer school.

*I Remember You* — You sat next to me in the detention room last week.

money you simply don't answer the door anymore. Actually, this is not such a wise rule because every now and then you'll run into some persistent little girl or boy who just stands there with his finger on the bell until you answer. After five minutes of this constant bell ringing most mothers start to foam at the mouth and crawl up the walls.

By the way, if your mother should get into such a condition just put her to bed in a straight jacket, shove ten or twelve aspirins down her throat and she'll be as good as new in the morning.

Let this be a lesson to those of you who one day plan to become mothers. When you hear the pleasant strains of "Trick or Treat" floating in the window, you have two alternatives. Either join the P.T.A. or move to the Gobi Desert.

Frankly, I think I'd take my chances in the Gobi.

## FLASH...

The "McAuleyan" is the proud owner of one share of stock in the Fordham University Mascot, RAMESES XIX

## Freshman Tells All

By Loretta Ventura, 3A2

I am new here. The upper classmen refer to me as F-r-e-s-h-m-a-n. I think it's a pretty bad word 'cause most of them say it in a low tone and use it only when it's necessary.

I never did anything wrong, but they're always making me do some sort of penance, like holding doors open, carrying books and giving up my seat in a bus.

Those sophomores are the meanest. Most of them aren't afraid to say that word (f-r-e-s-h-men) like the older girls. I guess it's because they're not as nice.

There are two consolations, however, lunch (we're all freshmen there) and the 2:45 bell. During lunch I busy myself with a dish of chicken chow mein, a chocolate éclair, some potato chips, a Pepsi and a popsicle. After school I usually hide in the back of the bus till I get off.

The juniors aren't bad at all. They're about the nicest because they don't use that eight-letter word. Of course they sort of avoid me. Maybe I have some sort of a disease? I doubt it, unless it's called FRESHMENITIS.

Biology is real fun, except the day I ate the frog we had dissected that morning. I guess I mistook it for my fried grasshoppers with mustard sandwich.

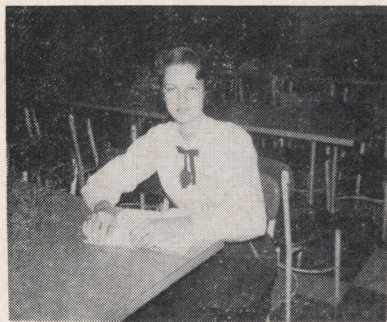
The locker rooms are rather small. Yesterday my girl friend was pushed into her locker. Does anyone have locker key number 4672? She gets hungry in there!

The seniors aren't so bad. They're very polite, you know. They always say, "Excuse me," before they trample you down.

I really can't complain because next year I'll be a sophomore and it will be my turn. This happens every year so I guess it must be a sort of tradition. But anyway that's McAuley and I love it all!!!



## SPOTLIGHTING Within McAuley



In each issue we would like to introduce to you two more McAuleyans, one senior and another girl from one of our remaining years.

The heroine of the senior story is Maria Peschka of the 4A2. Maria is one of McAuley's outstanding students, bringing credit to the school ever since her entrance. She came to McAuley on a scholarship and proved deserving of it by obtaining the highest average in the school, 97, during her freshman year.

Following her eleventh year, Maria was selected to represent McAuley at a convocation known as Girls State, which was held at New Paltz State Teacher's College from June 22 to June 29. Here she learned about the intricacies of the state government and the woman's role in politics. However, this wasn't the end of her summer education for she also studied physiology at Hunter College for which she earned four college credits.

Maria is a girl of varied interests. For four years she has played the violin in the school orchestra. She also is a loyal member of the Junior Sacristans of which she was elected vice-president. Student Council and the Leo Honor Society are also included in her list of extra-curricular activities.

Since she wants to major in science, Maria is applying for admittance to Cornell University. However, no matter what field she has chosen, we predict success and happiness for her.



A very versatile and vivacious soph is Margie Dunne of the 2A1. Her agility and pep are shown every Tuesday afternoon in the gym as a member of the basketball club. When it comes to aid, Margie is always on board willing to help, as she is referred to as "Sister Mary Victorine's headache" when volunteering her assistance to our "Mercian."

Margie comes from St. Agatha's parish where she belongs to the Blessed Virgin Sodality and their bowling team. Margie has few idle moments to spare. She has a leaning toward sports which include water skiing and swimming. When it comes to fashion she has an exclusive taste for sports clothes and believes in a simple hair style and the use of make-up only on dates.

After graduation she intends to be an English teacher. All who know her are sure she will succeed in the career of her choice.

### CAUTION

It's coming nearer

Soon it will be here

### THE SENIOR DANCE

Are you ready?

## Trip Gives Enjoyment To All

Each year, on Election Day, McAuley holds its annual bus ride to Syosset and Jones' Beach, and McAuleyans are once again looking forward to another day of fun.

The first stop, after a two hour drive, broken by songs and laughter, is Jones' Beach, the site of many happy memories. For the first time since summer, the girls enjoy the skating rink and tennis courts.

They again board the buses, this time the Novitiate of the Sister of Mercy at Syosset is their destination. As time slips by, they talk with the novices, and relatives or friends in the novitiate, and roam the scenic grounds.

The many McAuleyans who, last year made a vow, "to come back next year" will have a chance to fulfill it November 6.

## Schola Debuts

Sister Mary Nazarita has announced the formation of the Schola at McAuley. This special group will be chosen from members of the Glee Club. It is being initiated in order that the student body may participate more fully in the liturgy during the Church year. Especially trained in chant, these students will sing the Proper of the Mass and special renditions selected from the liturgical season.

## Varsity Unfolds Many Changes

School has started and as customary in the fall, the time for sports has come around. Last year at this time we had a new set of moderators and captains. Once again, we have two new moderators and two different captains. The only person who has remained the same is the coach, Meg McGuire. Even the rules were changed.

Our new moderators are Sister Mary Gemma and Sister Mary Charitas. Our captain is Mary Ellen Gallagher and co-captain Suzanne Abbott, both of 4A3. As for the rules, well, don't get excited if you see eight players on one side of the court and only four on the other side. The latest brainstorm is known as a "roving player." This "player" is not just one, but two from each team. One guard and one forward are permitted to run back and forth across the court. Another new rule is the jump-ball play. In order to have a valid jump-ball, the girl must secure the ball tightly rather than just tapping it with one hand.

Our team is composed of ten vital organs; namely, Mary Ellen Gallagher, Suzanne Abbott, Anne Crowley, Ginny Burns, Loretta Ventura, Mary Ann McCormick, Margie Rezoagli, Pat Hornickel, Mary Ellen Heglund, Cori Palermo.

Just as maroon goes with gold at McAuley, so does Basketball Varsity and Varsity Cheerleaders. The squad is composed of twelve dynamic girls. The captain is Pat Geer of 4A1. Co-captain is Joan Forlenza of the 4A3. The girls are directed by the enthusiastic guidance of Sister Mary Patricia. Our cheerleaders include the agility of such girls as Margie Lang, Janet Defosse, Lydia Guarisco, Margaret Courtney, Connie Cucchiara, Betty Cullen, Judy Wienzinger, Christine Armstrong, Terry Guarato and Lorraine Alabaster.

To initiate the Basketball season, in McAuley, the Varsity played its first game against Mary Lewis Academy of Jamaica on October 26 on our own court.

That's all for now. See you in the next issue of the **McAuleyan**.

Nov. 9	St. Michael's	Away
Dec. 7	Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Home
Jan. 11	St. Saviour's	Away
Feb. 9	St. Peter's	Away
Feb. 23	Our Lady of Wisdom	Home
Mar. 1	Fontbonne	Home
Mar. 8	St. Edmund's	Away
Mar. 15	St. Brendan's	Away
Mar. 23	Our Lady of Mercy	Home

\* These dates are tentative.

## JANET IS THIS YEAR'S A & S REP



McAuley's model, Janet Weis standing, right, at A&S Fashion Show

One Saturday in May 1962, three sophomores received an unexpected phone call from Pat Allen, Teen Coordinator of A&S. Miss Allen related to them that they had been chosen by the Sisters to represent Catherine McAuley on the A&S Junior Fashion Board for the 1962-63 season. However, after a personal interview only one girl was chosen. The lucky girl was Janet Weis, now of 3A5.

The Board consists of girls from parochial, private and public schools. All meet at A&S once a month to discuss fashion matters. Their principal duties are to bring to the store the latest fads and fashions of their school (a little difficult for a uniformed school) and what teens are talking about today. They also produce a Junior Journal which the girls edit themselves.

The Fashion Board isn't all work and no play by any means. A&S took the reps through a course in Seventeen's Beauty Workshop teaching them poise, good grooming and health habits.

The most exciting episode, so far, was that of the A&S Fashion Show in August. The A&S Restaurant was packed wall to wall. The reps nervously waited for their names to be announced (our rep was perhaps the most nervous). Each girl modeled her ensemble with a professional air. It was real fun!

Next spring Janet will be replaced by another pre-junior from McAuley. She will represent her school for the succeeding year with pride and honor, as it has been represented in the past.

## Sip Some?

Decisions, decisions, decisions! Why I can remember a time when you could go to the cafeteria and know what kind of soda you were going to get. It had to be Pepsi since there was no other kind. But now, something new has been added. Now we also have Patio orange soda!

This bubbly, bright beverage is adding color to everyone's life (and also to their uniforms).

Many thanks to Sister Mary Maurice for thinking of us, and for helping to break the monotony of things by adding this new item to our lunchtime treats.

## Girls Aid Missions

Needles, scissors, pins! No, it's not the Saturday Sewing Circle, it's the call to all ambitious members of the Mission Club.

Under the direction of Sister Mary Dymphna, the girls are busy working on several projects. While the juniors are hemming sheets for the missions, the freshmen members have been making aprons. Other members of the club are busily employed cutting stamps, and getting ready for the sale of Christmas cards.

These finished products are sent to the Propagation of the Faith who will in turn send them to some needy priest on a home mission or in a foreign land.

## Departing Faculty, We Salute You

With the beginning of a new school term McAuleyans were surprised and sad to learn that many of their former teachers had been transferred to new assignments.

Sr. Mary de Lourdes, librarian and moderator of the Legion of Mary, and Sr. Mary Martin, who taught history, are now teaching in the Sisters of Mercy College in Syosset. Sr. Mary Eugene, teacher of world and American history, and Sr. Mary Consilio, who taught math and music, and Sr. Mary Esther, who taught music and stenography and was moderator of the Glee Club, are now teaching in Mercy High School in Riverhead.

Sr. Mary Germaine, our guidance counselor of many years, bookkeeping teacher and moderator of the Mission Club, along with Sr. Mary Valeria, who taught English and algebra and was moderator of the Leo Honor Society, are in Mater Christi High School in Astoria.

Sr. Mary Thecla, teacher of business subjects and moderator of the orchestra, is now principal of Our Lady of Mercy School, Hicksville. Sr. Mary Claudia, who taught transcription and typing, is now at Our Lady of Peace, Lynbrook. Sr. Mary Ellen, who taught Spanish and history and was moderator of our basketball team, is at Mater Christi High School. Sr. Mary Bernadette, in charge of Mercy Guild at McAuley, now is at the Convent of Mercy, Brooklyn.

We wish to thank these sisters for their untiring work and loyalty to the students of Catherine McAuley High School. It is with fondest regards that we send them our best wishes for success in their new appointments.